

105TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. R. 4792

To improve the adoption system of the District of Columbia.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 10, 1998

Mr. BLILEY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “District of Columbia  
5       Adoption Improvement Act of 1998”.

6       **SEC. 2. REPORT AND DATABASE.**

7       (a) REPORT.—Not later than 30 days after the date  
8       of the enactment of this Act, the Child Protective Services  
9       Division of the Department of Human Services of the Dis-  
10      trict of Columbia (hereafter in this Act referred to as the  
11      “Division”) shall report to Congress the number of chil-

1 dren under the jurisdiction of the Division who are legally  
2 free for adoption.

3 (b) DATABASE.—Not later than 90 days after the  
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the Division shall estab-  
5 lish a database listing and tracking each child under the  
6 jurisdiction of the Division, with the goal of adoption or  
7 becoming legally free for adoption.

8 **SEC. 3. TRANSFER OF RECRUITMENT, HOME STUDY, AND**  
9 **PLACEMENT FUNCTIONS TO PRIVATE SERV-**  
10 **ICE PROVIDERS.**

11 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than September 30,  
12 1999, the Division shall enter into contracts with private  
13 service providers in the Washington Metropolitan Area to  
14 perform the recruitment, home study, and placement func-  
15 tions of the Division.

16 (b) COMPETITIVE BIDDING.—Any contract entered  
17 into pursuant to subsection (a) shall be subject to a com-  
18 petitive bidding process and outcome-based outsourcing.

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